

**DANN, DORFMAN, HERRELL AND SKILLMAN**

A Professional Corporation

1601 Market Street

Suite 2400

Philadelphia, PA 19103-2307

Telephone (215) 563-4100

Facsimile (215) 563-4044

**FAX COVER SHEET****CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE**

This facsimile transmission may contain information which is confidential and/or privileged. The information is intended for the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, be aware that any disclosure, copying or use of the contents of this facsimile is prohibited. If you have received this facsimile in error, please call us at (215) 563-4100 immediately so that we can arrange for a corrected transmission and the retrieval of any original documents at no cost to you.

DELIVER TO: Examiner Stuart F. Baum  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

FACSIMILE #: (571) 273-0792

DATE: March 23, 2004

FROM: Kathleen D. Rigaut, Ph.D., J.D.

OPERATOR: Jane C. Bogan

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/890,220  
Caroline Dean and Anthony Gendall  
Copy of our response to the official action  
sent to the USPTO on February 23, 2004.

IF THE ACCOMPANYING/ABOVE MESSAGE IS NOT RECEIVED PROPERLY,  
PLEASE CALL (215) 563-4100 AND LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR THE OPERATOR  
INDICATED ABOVE.

DANN, DORFMAN, HERRELL & SKILLMAN, P.C.  
SUITE 2400  
1601 MARKET STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

HUDSON UNITED BANK  
80-148/319

38044

2/23/2004

Pay to the  
Order of

Commissioner of Patents &amp; Trademarks

\$ 950.00

Nine Hundred Fifty and 00/100\*\*\*\*\*

Dollars

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

MEMO MEWBURN.890220

⑈038044⑈ ⑈031901482⑈ 0022 10533⑈

## In re the Application of:

Caroline Dean, et al.

Application Number:  
09/890,220

Filed: July 27, 2001  
For: METHODS AND MEANS FOR  
MODIFICATION OF PLANT  
CHARACTERISTICS USING THE

## The following paper(s) has/have been received:

Transmittal Sheet with Certificate of Mailing Under  
37 CFR 1.8 (a); Petition for three month extension  
of time; computation of fee (in duplicate)  
30 Sheets of Amendment and Request for Reconsideration  
Check in the amount of \$ 950.00  
page of written Description and claims

## In re the Application of:

Caroline Dean, et al.

Application Number:  
09/890,220

Filed: July 27, 2001  
For: METHODS AND MEANS FOR  
MODIFICATION OF PLANT  
CHARACTERISTICS USING THE  
VERNALIZATION GENE VRN2

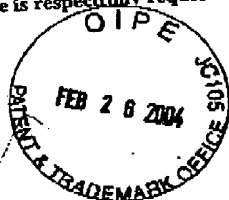
## The following paper(s) has/have been received:

Transmittal Sheet with Certificate of Mailing Under  
37 CFR 1.8 (a); Petition for three month extension  
of time; computation of fee (in duplicate)  
30 Sheets of Amendment and Request for Reconsideration  
Check in the amount of \$ 950.00  
page of written Description and claims

AL CARD and

Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to place its STAMP on the POSTAL CARD and  
place it in the outgoing mail.

0380-P02825US0  
02/23/04 jcb



Respectfully,  
Kathleen D. Rigaut, Ph.D., J.D.

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Caroline Dean, et al.

Serial No. 09/890,220

Filed: July 27, 2001

For: METHODS AND MEANS FOR  
MODIFICATION OF PLANT  
CHARACTERISTICS USING THE  
VERNALIZATION GENE VRN2

Examiner Stuart F. Baum

Group Art Unit: 1638

Response to Paper No. 12

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this Correspondence is being deposited on  
February 23, 2004 with the United States Postal Service as first-class  
mail in an envelope properly addressed to Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box  
1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

February 23, 2004  
Date of Certificate

Jane C. Bogan  
Jane C. Bogan

Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of Three (3)  
months beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper  
fee under 37 CFR §1.17 is enclosed.

Kathleen D. Rigaut  
Kathleen D. Rigaut, Ph.D., J.D.

Computation of Additional Fee for Extension

- ☐ No Additional Fee is required.  
☒ A check is enclosed in the amount of \$ 950.00

In the event the check is improper, or the fee calculation is in error, the  
Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment  
to the account of the undersigned attorneys, Account No. 04-1406. A duplicate  
copy of this sheet is enclosed.

DANN, DORFMAN, HERRELL AND SKILLMAN  
A Professional Corporation

By

Kathleen D. Rigaut  
Kathleen D. Rigaut, Ph.D., J.D.  
PTO Registration No. 43,047

Telephone: (215) 563-4100  
Facsimile: (215) 563-4044